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# ANNUAL REPORT

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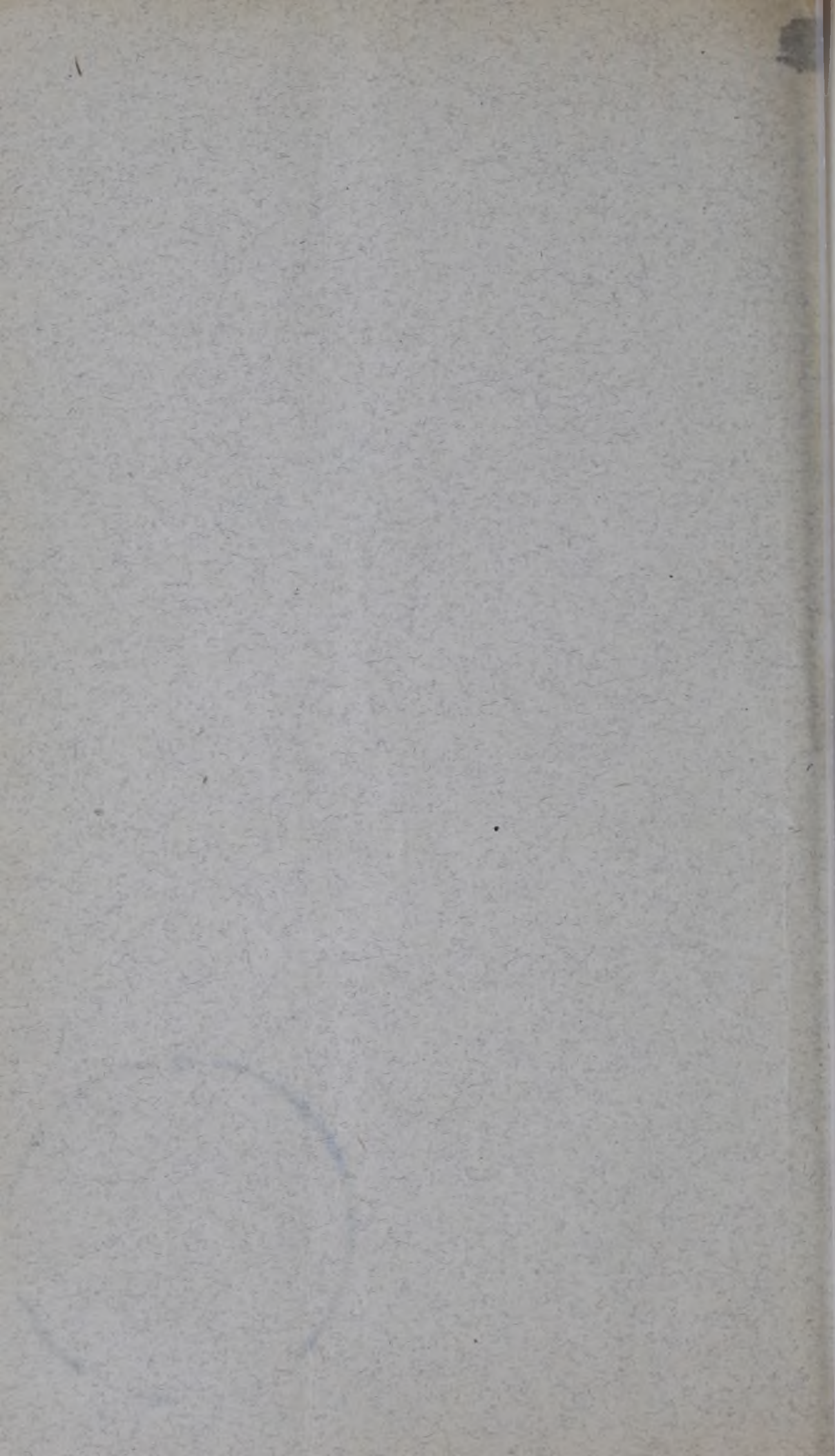
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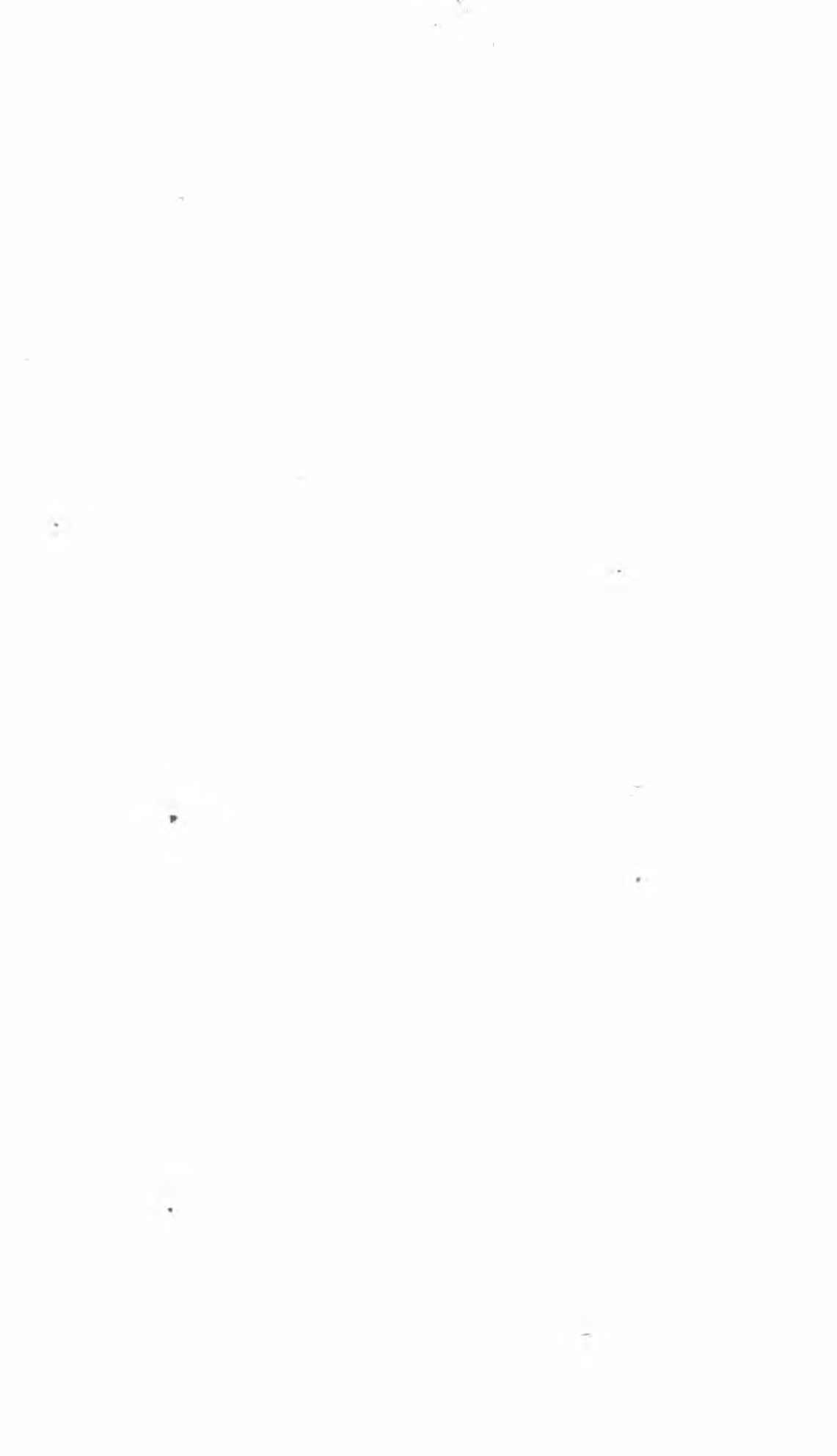
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# Town Warrant

## State of Maine

PENOBSCOT, SS.

To J. E. Hefferen, Constable of the Town of Newport, in the County of Penobscot.

GREETING :

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Newport aforesaid, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the town hall, so called, in said town, on Monday, the sixth day of March, A. D. 1916, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit :

- Art 1 To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.
- Art 2 To choose a Town Clerk for year ensuing.
- Art 3 To hear all reports made at said meeting and act upon the same.
- Art 4 To choose three or more Selectmen.
- Art 5 To choose three or more Overseers of the Poor.
- Art 6 To choose three or more Assessors.
- Art 7 To choose a Town Treasurer.
- Art 8 To choose a member, or members of the Superintending School Committee.
- Art 9 To choose three or more persons to enforce town ordinances.
- Art 10 To choose a Chief Engineer and Assistants of the Fire Department.
- Art 11 To choose Sextons for the various cemeteries in town.
- Art 12 To choose all remaining town officers required or permitted to be chosen at the annual Town Meeting, excepting a Collector of Taxes, and to determine how many, if any, of the said town officers shall be appointed by the Selectmen.



- Art 13 To see if the town will determine when its tax list for 1916 shall be committed for collection; also, when taxes thus committed must be paid, and what instruction, if any, it will give relative to the same. Also to see what condition it will impose upon the Collector relative to settlement with the town, and to receive bids and proposals for the collecting of the taxes for the ensuing year on such terms and conditions as may thus be determined.
- Art 14 To choose a Collector of Taxes for the ensuing year.
- Art 15 To see if the town will vote to raise money, if so, how much, to pay town charges and contract obligations.
- Art 16 To see if the town will vote to raise money, if so, how much, to apply on debt and interest account, and for sinking fund toward the retirement of the town bonds of 1897, or what action the town will take in relation to the subject matter of this article.
- Art 17 To see if the town will vote to raise money, if so, how much, for the support of the poor outside of the town farm.
- Art 18 To see if the town will vote to raise money, if so, how much, to make, construct and repair highways, bridges, ways, crosswalks and sidewalks in said town, and determine how and by whom the same shall be expended, and what shall be the per diem compensation of laborers and horses thus employed.
- Art 19 To see if the town will vote "yes" or "no" on the question of appropriating and raising money necessary to entitle the town to state aid, as provided in section 20 of chapter 130 of the Public Laws of 1913.
- Art 20 To see if the town will appropriate and raise the sum of \$600 for the improvement of the section of state aid road as outlined in the report of the state highway commission, in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges; the above amount being the maxi-

mun which the town is allowed to raise under the provisions of section 19 of chapter 130 of the Public Laws of 1913.

- Art 21 To see whether the town will vote to raise money, and what sum for the maintenance of state highways during the ensuing year, within the limits of the town, under the provisions of section 9 of chapter 130 of the Public Laws of 1913.
- Art 22 To see if the town will vote to raise money, if so, how much, for use and maintenance of Newport Fire Department for the ensuing year, and whom it will authorize to expend the same.
- Art 23 To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the support of common schools.
- Art 24 To see if the town will vote to raise money, if so, how much, for the maintenance of a Free High School.
- Art 25 To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the purchase of school text books.
- Art 26 To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the purchase of school supplies and apparatus.
- Art 27 To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for school house repairs.
- Art 28 To see if the town will vote to raise money, if so how much, for the purchase of books, and to pay the running expenses of the Free Public Library.
- Art 29 To see if the town will vote to raise money, if so, how much, for aid to the G. A. R. Post in Memorial Day observance.
- Art 30 To see if the town will vote to raise money, if so, how much, to hire a night watchman for Newport village for the year commencing April 1st, 1915; said watchman to perform the duties as heretofore required, or such as may be prescribed and required.
- Art 31 To see if the town will vote a sum of money, if so, how much, as a salary for Superintendent of Schools.



- Art 32 To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money, if so, how much, to repair or make permanent road on the North Newport road so called. The same to be located and built under the direction of Road Commissioner.
- Art 33 To see if the town will vote to renew contract with Borden's Condensed Milk Co., for coal ashes, or what action it will take in the matter.
- Art 34 To see if the town will appropriate money for support of Music in the Public Schools, if so, how much.
- Art 35 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to aid the Newport Monument Association in the erection of a soldier's monument in the town of Newport; if so, how much; or what action the town will take in relation to the subject matter of this article.
- Art 36 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase flags and poles for all school houses, as provided in section 52, school laws of Maine.
- Art 37 To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of \$160 to pay for the piano in the high school building.
- Art 38 To see if the town will vote to pay for the services of the Supt. School Com.
- Art 39 To see if the town will vote to contract with the Newport Water Co. for one hydrant, to be located at the corner of Park and Hoyt streets.
- Art 40 To see if the town will vote to contract with the Newport Water Co. for one hydrant, to be located on Main street, nearly opposite Judkins & Gilmer Co's. store.
- Art 41 To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money and if so how much, to build and construct a sidewalk on Josslyn street.
- Art 42 To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money, and if so, how much, to straighten and gravel

- the road between the railroad crossing and the residence of P. S. Littlefield at East Newport.
- Art 43 To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money, and if so, how much, to repair the sidewalk at East Newport.
- Art 44 To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money, and if so, how much, to build a permanent road, beginning at the foot of the Ledge hill, just beyond the Larvway place, running west to woods, East Newport.
- Art 45 To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to place the valuation on the Jones Inn, the same as was assessed in 1915, or what action it will take relative to same.
- Art 46 To see if the town will vote and raise money to build and construct a sewer or common drain, beginning at the junction of High and North street, extending westerly to West street, thence on West street as far as the residence of Stephen Hilton.
- Art 47 To see if the town will vote to abate the taxes on the hall of Sebasticook Grange for the year 1915, and for a term of years.
- Art 48 To see what action the town will take in reference to enforcing the law regarding the sale of explosives, and other noise making devices.
- Art 49 To see if the town will vote to buy its coal under competitive bids.
- Art 50 To see if the town will vote to abate the taxes on the E. & M. Hospital, on the Corinna road for a term of years.
- Art 51 To see if the town will vote to install a street light on the corner of Joselyn and Goodwin streets.
- Art 52 To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money, and if so, how much, to lower the hill and raise the hollow, near the residence of J. L. Lewis & Son.
- Art 53 To see if the town will vote to contract with the Newport Water Co. for hydrant, to be located on the road near the residence of Oscar Ireland.

Art 54 To see if the town will vote to contract with the  
Newport Water Co, for hydrant, to be located on  
West street.

The Selectmen will be in session at their office in the  
Town Hall for the purpose of revising the list of voters in  
said town, at nine o'clock in the forenoon on the day of said  
meeting.

Hereof fail not to make due return of this warrant with  
your doings thereon, on or before the day and hour of said  
meeting.

C. E. SMITH

J. H. BUDGE

A. L. GRAY

*Selectmen of Newport.*

# Report of Municipal Officers

## Town of Newport, Maine, 1915-16

### ASSESSOR'S DEPARTMENT

Value of Real Estate	\$581,615.00	
Non-resident Real Estate	148,235.00	
	<hr/>	\$729,850.00
Value Resident personal property	\$150,485.00	
Value Non-Resident personal property	17,690.00	
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Total valuation April 1, 1915		\$898,025.00
Number of Polls assessed 1915, 523.		
We assessed 523 polls, \$3.00 each	\$1,569.00	
We assessed \$898,025.00 at 29 mills	\$27,611.73	
Total commitment, including supplementary tax		\$27,641.33

### Appropriations for 1915-16

Town Charges	\$4,000.00
Town Debt and Interest	4,000.00
Support of Poor outside of Town	
Farm	200.00
Roads, Bridges and Sidewalks	4,300.00
State Aid Road	600.00
State Highway maintenance	200.00
Fire Department	600.00
Support Common Schools	2,500.00
Free High School	1,500.00
School Text Books	300.00
School Supplies and Apparatus	350.00
Schoolhouse Repairs	500.00
Free Public Library	150.00

G. A. R. Memorial Day Observance	75.00	
Night Watchman	600.00	
Supt. of Schools	300.00	
Permanent Road, No. Newport	400.00	
Water for Sprinkling Village Streets	50.00	
Coal Ashes, Borden Cond. Milk Co.	50.00	
Music in Public Schools	200.00	
To Pay bal. due on Centennial bills	326.62	
Building Sidewalk, F. B. Burns' to W. S. Townsend's	300.00	
Toilet in Town Hall	50.00	
Amount raised by Town	<hr/>	\$21,551.62
Amount assessed for State Tax	\$4,556.03	
Amount assessed County Tax	1,184.57	
Overlayings assessed	319.51	
Supplementary commitment	29.60	
	<hr/>	\$6,089.71
Total commitment		\$27,641.33

### Department of Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor

Amount raised for Town Charges	\$4,000.00	
Town dept and int.	4,000.00	
Support of poor		
outside farm	200.00	
Village night watch	600.00	
Free Public Library	150.00	
G. A. R. Memorial		
Day	75.00	
Overlayings	319.51	
Supplementary Tax	29.60	
	<hr/>	\$9,374.11
Cash from town of Etna, account Chas. Cothron	6.00	
Cash from town of Eustis, account J. Willy	5.00	
Cash from town of Plymouth, ac- count E. A. Tozier	2.25	

Cash from Walkins, support two children	42.00	
Sale licenses	10.00	
J. E. Hefferen, hall rent	20.00	
H. W. Brackett, sale of lots, River-		
side Cemetery	30.00	
W. H. Mitchell, sale town history	6.75	
Bridge plank sold	2.25	
Sale sand and tar, Weymouth Wool Co.	11.00	
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		\$135.25
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		\$9,509.36

## Town Charge Account

### INCIDENTALS

#### CR

Paid Loring, Short & Harmon, supplies	\$ 9.50
C. T. Libby, type-writing town report 1914	4.00
A. W. Lander, printing town report 1914	69.40
F. W. Williams, wood for lock-up	4.50
E. W. Smith, table for selectmen's office	2.00
E. W. Smith, work street lines	2.75
A. E. Woodman, wood for lock-up	37.00
A. E. Woodman, wood for Town Hall	3.00
Newport Job Print, printing notices	2.00
O. E. Libby, running line Newport and Etna	14.90
W. C. McCue, postage and telephone	4.73
Old Hickory Lodge, rent of hall, graduation 1914 and 1915	20.00
F. E. Hallowell, police duty July 3, 4, 5	5.00
A. C. Getchell, police duty July 3, 4, 5	4.00
Newport Job Print, dog tax notices	.50
T. D. Harris, police duty July 3, 4	4.00
A. O. Burgess, painting notices, school grounds	2.25
G. W. Donham, state year book	2.00
A. O. Burgess, auto signs	8.00
Chas. Holbrook, work on sewer	6.00
Wilbur Gray, watching grass fire	2.00
William McGerry, cleaning catch basin	20.00

Paid John Moriarty, cleaning catch basin	11.00
Hanson & Pingree, repairs on Town Hall	25.39
Frank Hatch, cleaning catch basin	29.25
J. R. Watson, cleaning catch basin	3.25
Frank Hatch, repairing manhole, Elm St.	2.00
John Moriarty, repairing manhole. Elm St.	2.00
C. E. Garland, repairing seats, Town Hall	5.00
R. B. Dunning & Co., stencil	2.79
N. E. T. & T. Co., tolls, selectmen's office	5.10
John Moriarty, work Elm St, sewer	2.00
G. L. Shaw, team, work Elm St. sewer	2.50
Mrs. Murray, cleaning selectmen's office	2.50
Western Union Tel. Co., tel. for repairs, engines	1.04
C. L. Spratt, care fish screen	14.50
J. Newcomb, repairing town hall sewer	1.00
Judkins & Gilman Co., supplies for repairs, Town hall	11.90
Judkins & Gilman Co., pipe for Spring St. sewer	47.45
Stephen Hilton, cleaning side of roads	1.00
F. I. Pushor, trucking	2.00
C. W. Brann, care fish screen to March 22	9.50
M. Wentworth, repairs on water pipes, Town hall	1.00
E. R. Dow, police duty, July 3, 4, 5	10.00
E. E. Babb & Co., flag, schoolhouse	7.67
Newport Water Co., changing hydrant, Water street	12.70
A. G. Shorey, 1 pair rubber boots for catch basins	4.50
A. O. Burgess, work and supplies, Town hall	5.00
F. W. Halliday, use of auto and time to St. Albans, looking up Tax Collector's bond	8.00
O. E. Libby, order 975, error	4.20
J. O. Gilman, expense of Com. on Water works	19.58
F. N. Merrill, witnessing application for aid for blind	1.00
F. N. Merrill, postage and stationery	1.13
Newport Job Print, printing water contract	14.50
Newport Job Print, printing blanks for town clerk	4.50
Newport Job Print, printing brown tail moth notices	4.35



Paid Mrs. E. R. Leach, maintaining watering tub	3.50
Cedric Soper, watching at schoolhouse fire	2.00
G. M. Barrows, supplies selectmen's office	22.60
W. H. Sawyer, engineering advice	165.74
W. H. Mitchell, organizing Cen. Asso.	15.70
C. E. Smith, postage brown moth notices	4.00
C. E. Smith, postage and express	3.00
O. E. Libby, running town farm line	4.40
A. M. Morrill, help on running Etna line	3.00
J. H. Budge, catching cattle	7.00
H. H. Rich, expense School Com.	5.00
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	742.77

### Town Officer's Bills

Paid J. E. Hefferen, services as constable 1914	\$10.00	
E. R. Leach, bal. services 1914	8.00	
A. L. Gray, bal. services 1914	8.00	
A. L. Gray, services as selectman 1915	129.85	
J. H. Budge, services as selectman 1915	112.00	
C. E. Smith, services as selectman 1915	268.00	
J. E. Hefferen, Chief Fire Dept.	25.00	
J. O. Gilman, Town Treas.	50.00	
H. M. Wardwell, Auditor 1914	5.00	
F. N. Merrill, Town Clerk	20.00	
A. W. Lander, Collector of Taxes, com.	414.62	
W. H. Mitchell, Town Agent and legal advisor	114.10	
	<hr/>	\$1,164.57

### NEWPORT WATER CO.

G. M. Barrows	500.00
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## CONTRACTS AND ABATEMENTS

Heirs of Wm. Allen, tax 1914	\$31.31
J. E. Oakes, 1914, Annie Hartford	28.00
J. E. Oakes, 1914, O. H. Colman	9.80
J. E. Oakes, 1914, Ellen Gray	4.20
A. W. Lander, Kingsbury Mfg. Co.	15.95
A. W. Lander, Emerson & McVetty Hospital	72.50
A. W. Lander, O. H. Colman	10.15
A. W. Lander, Ellen Gray	4.35
Borden Condensed Milk Co.	50.00
	<hr/> \$226.26

## ALLOWED BY SELECTMEN

Chester L. Buck, unable to locate	\$5.17
Wallace Bohannon, unable to pay	3.00
W. B. Cookson, age exemption	3.00
John Christy, left town	3.00
Chas. Elkins, not found	3.00
Thos. Johnson, not found	3.00
Joseph Lewis, not found	3.00
Chas. F. McGill, out of State	3.00
Walter Nason, inability	3.00
Stephen Pearl, died	3.00
C. C. Richardson, unable to pay	4.35
Herbert Small, paid Waterville	3.00
J. F. Sharp, unable to pay	1.00
Jefferson Spurling, minor	3.00
Ellen Sylvester, left town	1.45
Atwood Tabor, paid Corinna	3.00
Walter Townsend, paid Corinna	3.00
Geo. Turner, left town	3.00
Edw. Wilson, left town	2.50
	<hr/> \$56.22

## STREET LIGHTING

Newport Light & Power Co.	\$1,042.49
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## INSURANCE

E. W. Smith, new schoolhouse	\$144.00	
W. R. Morrill, High schoolhouse	54.00	
S. P. Judkins, new schoolhouse	132.48	
W. R. Morrill, High schoolhouse	18.00	
G. M. Barrows, Town Hall	57.60	
	<hr/>	\$406.00

## CEMETERY ACCOUNT

Paid W. J. Whitten, care Tilton cemetery	\$2.00	
A. E. Woodman, care Shaw cemetery	2.00	
B. P. Patten, care No. Newport cemetery	12.00	
W. W. Lawrence, care two East Newport cemeteries	8.00	
H. W. Brackett, care Riverside cemetery	20.00	
	<hr/>	\$44.00
Burial of Soldiers	\$70.00	
Cash from State Treasurer		\$70.00

## BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

Paid F. N. Merrill, recording 34 deaths, 33 births, 27 marriages	\$14.10	
L. H. White, reporting 8 births, 7 deaths	3.75	
O. R. Emerson, reporting 9 births, 7 deaths	4.00	
J. J. Sewall, reporting 6 births, 9 deaths	3.75	
	<hr/>	\$25.60

## BOARD OF HEALTH

E. W. Smith, services	\$7.50	
L. H. White, services	33.00	
	<hr/>	\$40.50

## Support of Poor Outside of Farm

Appropriation	\$200.00
Unexpended, 1914	134.37
Rec'd Town Etna, account Chas. Cothran	6.00
Town Eustis, account J. Willey	5.00
Town Plymouth, account E. A. Tozier	2.25
Walter Elkins	42.00
State Treas.	50.50
	<hr/> 440.12
Due from State	6.00
	<hr/> \$446.12

### CR

City of Lewiston, George W. Hines and family	\$21.00
Town of Webster, George W. Hines and family	23.28
Town of Leeds, George W. Hines and family	6.00
A. E. Ellis, care of Chas. McAlten	2.00
L. H. White, med. att. Chas. McAlten	2.00
W. O. Harding, wood Mrs. York	7.00
A. E. Wright, supplies, Mrs. York	2.20
H. C. Reynolds, supplies, Mrs. York	2.00
H. H. Rich, supplies, Mrs. York	2.00
A. E. Woodman	19.25
W. B. Stacy	2.00
O. R. Emerson, med. att. Ruth Loring	12.00
H. H. Rich, supplies, E. A. Tozier	5.47
A. G. Shorey, supplies, E. A. Tozier	2.75
E. C. Wardwell & Co., supplies, Elkins children	6.95
A. G. Shorey, supplies, Elkins children	2.30

Millie Fairbrother, care Elkins children	62.50
Town of Eustis, acct. J. Willey	5.00
H. H. Rich. supplies, W. Bohannan	3.74
P. L. Bennett, house rent, W. Bohannan	25 83
J. E. Oakes, house rent, W. Bohannan	20.00
E. R. Dow, care W. Bohannan	3.00
David A. French, ticket Togus	1.20
John Mooney, ticket Togus	1.20
G. W. Bennett, house rent Chas. Cothran	6.00
L. H. White, acct. E. Pratt's family	5.00
O. R. Emerson, med. care Alice Loring	4.00
L. H. White, med. att. Mary Loring	2.00
Unexpended	188.45

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\$446.12

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

### DR

Appropriation	\$300.00
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\$300.00

### CR

Paid W. C. McCue	\$125.00
C. E. Wass	175.00

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\$300.00

## VILLAGE NIGHT WATCH

### DR

Appropriation	\$600.00
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\$600.00

### CR

Paid J. E. Hefferen	\$600.00
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\$600.00

# FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

## DR

Unexpended balance 1914	\$35.56
Appropriation	150.00

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\$185.56

## CR

Paid W. R. Morrill, Treas.	\$150.00
Unexpended	35.56

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\$185.56

# G. A. R. MEMORIAL DAY

## DR

Appropriation	\$75.00
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\$75.00

## CR

Paid W. S. Randlett	\$75.00
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\$75.00

## Town Debt and Interest

### DR

Appropriation	\$4,000.00
Temporary Loan	2,000.00

\$6,000.00

### CR

Paid J. O. Gilman, Treas., int. on Dec. bonds	\$100.00
J. O. Gilman, Treas., int. on Oct. bonds	600.00
J. O. Gilman, bond No. 34 is- sue Dec. 1, 1897	500.00
Kend. Trust Co., int. on tem- porary loan	35.00
J. O. Gilman, Treas., int. on Dec. bonds	740.00
Kend. Trust Co., int. on tem- porary loan	41.00
H. L. Miles, int. on order No. 575	50.50
J. O. Gilman, int. on school fund	144.00
H. L. Miles, order No. 575	1200.00
J. O. Gilman, bond No. 1 issue Dec. 1, 1897	506.50
Kend. Trust Co., temporary loan	2,000.00
Unexpended	83.00

\$6,000.00



# Fire Department

## DR

Appropriation	\$600.00
Overdrawn	310.48

\$910.48

## CR

Overdrawn 1914	\$133.14
Paid N.E. T. & T. Co., tel. and tolls	30.43
M. C. R. R. Co., freight on hose	1.34
H. I. Seavey, photographing broken part to engine	1.25
J. J. Cameron, hauling engine to Weymouth fire 1914	3.00
F. I. Pushor, C. O. D. repairs on fire engine	28.05
Joe. Eldridge, repairing fire app.	.50
Jenkins & Gilman Co., coal	34.37
Geo. Newton, roll call hose 1	123.40
A. C. Getchell, roll call hook and ladder 3	98.75
Chas. Brann, 1st asst. Fire Chief	6.00
Earl Ellis, 2d asst. Fire Chief	6.00
Chas. McKenzie, roll call hose 2	114.20
F. H. Davis, chemical	38.00
Mark Wentworth, chief engineer	9.45
H. E. Stevens, engineer	9.30
I. S. Grady, repairs	1.50
C. G. Brackett & Son, pail for engine	1.00
Joe Eldridge, work in engine house	.50

F. M. Reid, repairs 1914	1.50	
H. W. Leavitt, labor on engine house	2.40	
Hanson & Pingree, supplies	21.00	
Henry K. Barnes, hose	192.00	
Judkins & Gilman Co., supplies	.60	
Mark Wentworth, repairs, oil and gasoline	15.29	
H. J. Carson, repairs	2.50	
Chas. Brann,	24.60	
Fay & Scott, repairs	2.51	
Hanson & Pingree,	1.25	
Newport Job Print, printing	1.50	
G. M. Barrows, supplies	3.34	
Western Union Tel. Co.	1.81	
	<hr/>	\$910.48

## State Highway Maintenance

	DR	
Appropriation	\$200.00	
Balance in hands of State	58.57	
	<hr/>	\$258.57

	CR	
Paid State Treas. for highway department	\$258.00	
Unexpended	.57	
	<hr/>	\$258.57

## LABOR ON STATE HIGHWAY

Paid J. H. Budge, labor man and team	\$ 6.75
Jos. Williams,                   “	31.50
David Bruce,	2.00
Zack Newcomb,	9.00
Geo. L. Shaw, team	12.50
Addison White,	3.00

F. E. Miller Jr.,	3.00	
C. R. Young,	3.00	
A. B. Newcomb,	3.00	
Fred Delect, self and team	6.75	
Henry Boston,	3.00	
John Cameron,	4.00	
W. M. Furbush,	3.00	
M. C. R. R. Co. gravel,	5.20	
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		\$ 95.70
Cash from State		95.09
Appropriation for Main St.	\$ 600.00	
Unexpended balance in hands of State	85.97	
Received from State Treasurer	600.00	
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	\$ 1,285.97	
Paid Town Treas.		\$ 1,285.97

#### STREET SPRINKLING

	DR	
Appropriation		\$50.00
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		\$50.00
	CR	
Paid O. F. Parks, for sand		\$25.00
M. C. R. R. Co. freight on sand		10.00
Unexpended		15.00
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		\$50.00

The streets were oiled instead of water sprinkled and we applied the sand and charged to this account.

#### CENTENNIAL ACCOUNT

	DR	
Appropriation		\$326.62
	CR	
Overdrawn 1914		\$264.23
Paid Hanson & Pingree		2.87

Sebasticook Lumber Co., lumber	34.52
W. H. Mitchell, bills paid	10 00
E. W. Smith, labor	5.00
E. W. Kingsbury, stakes	10.00

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\$326.62

# TOILETS IN TOWN HALL

DR

Appropriation

\$50.00

CR

Paid Hanson & Pingree

\$39.01

Unexpended

10.99

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\$50.00

# Report of Town Farm Agent

Feb. 1 to Nov. 8, 1915, C. S. Ramsey, Agent

## RECEIPTS

For milk sold	\$343.23
sweet corn	99.85
potatoes	28.50
eggs	26.84
poultry	9.84
junk	1.00
beans	28.00
squash	4.20
stock	46.37
board of Mrs. Erskins	108 00
H. D. Ramsey	10.50
Hartford child	10.00
9 meals	2.25
2 cows	4.00
New England Tel. and Tel. Co. trimming	
trees	25.00
Robert Baker, Nov. 8 to Feb. 1 1916	
For milk	92.31
pork	14.67
board of Mrs Erskins	36.00
junk sold	1.00
Due from Mrs. Erskins, board	9.00
"    B. C. Milk Co. Jan. milk	59.88
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	\$960.44
We charge the farm with the following sundry.	
2 cows	\$175.00
Ensilage	120.00
1 calf	5.00
Fertilizer on hand	16.00
1 silo	103.00

We charge for Mrs. Downs board	156.00	
	<hr/>	\$575.00
Bal. against the farm	603.78	
	<hr/>	\$2,139.22

### EXPENDITURES

Paid C. S. Ramsey, salary Feb. 1 to Apr. 1	\$75.00
"    "    "    Apr. to Nov. 8,	358.52
Grain	361.91
Groceries	287.44
Dry Goods	9.25
Seed	55.57
Miscellaneous	73.85
Live stock	195.00
Planting, cutting corn, filling silo	43.19
H. J. Carson, shoeing and jobbing	8.75
E. R. Leach, pasturing 5 head young stock	9.50
5 tons fertilizer	185.00
Repairs on furnace	18.57
Papering room	2.50
Silo	103.02
Robert Baker, Nov. 8 to Feb. 1, 1916	
Paid, Grain	136.60
Groceries	55.87
Miscellaneous	4.23
Cutting ice	5.20
Hauling ice	5.25
Hauling wood	10.00
Robert Ellis, labor	18.00
Robert Baker, salary to Feb. 1, 1916	110.00
O. R. Emerson, medical attendance	
Mrs. Peavey	3.00
J. M. Holbrook, hauling wood	2.00

F. B. Williams, hauling wood	2.00	
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		\$2,139 22
Supported on farm		
Cordelia Peavey, 17 weeks		
Died Aug. 1, 1916		
Stock and Supplies on hand Feb. 1, 1915		
7 cows	\$525.00	
2, 3 yrs. old	100.00	
3, 2 yrs. old	75.00	
3 yearlings	50.00	
1 calf	5.00	
30 hens	18.00	
4 roosters	3.00	
Ensiliage	120.00	
Hay	170.00	
Straw	32.00	
Grain on hand	30.00	
Beans	18.00	
3 bbls. Phosphate	16.00	
Potatoes	75.00	
Pork	32.50	
Groceries	15.00	
Ice	20.00	
Wood	12.00	
Farming tools, household goods	332.00	
Silo	103.00	
	<hr/>	\$1,757.00



# Roads, Bridges and Sidewalks

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Appropriated		\$4,300.00
Less appropriation for bridges	800.00	
ledge, E. Newport	200.00	
sidewalk	500.00	
catch basin	65.00	
		<u>\$1,565.00</u>
Funds available		\$2,735.00

## ROADS

Geo. L. Shaw	\$394.79
Geo. L. Shaw, team	297.00
Fred Dutch and team	295.74
Jos. Williams and team	288.37
C. R. Grindell and team	118.50
F. B. Williams and team	17.35
C. S. Fulton and team	36.50
Zach Newcomb	201.50
C. R. Young	87.50
F. E. Miller, Jr.	173.50
Guy Knowles	17.50
C. R. Small	2.50
Sam'l Leavitt	6.00
G. W. Newton, washing street	8.80
Chas. A. Smith	6.00
Jas. Labree	10.50
Henry Boston	95.76
Addison White	44.50
Chas. Vandekar	21.00
Jim Chase	2.00

H. B. Peabody	60.75
Scolley Soper	35.50
Wm. M. Furbush	18.00
L. A. Luce	2.00
Edw. Cameron	3.50
F. Reynolds	4.00
W. A. McKenney	6.00
Fred Adams, 1914	4.00
Carl Furbush	4.00
Nina Pearl, 1914	4.65
Robt. Brooks, 1914	8.80
J. H. Budge	3.25
Chas. Holbrook	4.00
A. L. Gray, labor and material	2.50
Earl Lewis	40.00
H. D. Rankin	2.00
G. H. Prilay	3.75
Stephen Hilton	3.00
F. A. Richardson, 1914	5.60
S. P. Ireland	5.00
F. R. Coburn, team	2.50
John Monahan	2.00
G. A. Sanborn	32.00
John R. Watson and team	25.50
G. C. Soper, 1914	4.00
D. W. Wheeler, 1914	15.00
Chas. Wiley	23.40
A. M. Morrill, 1913 and 1914	16.20
C. A. Knight, 1914	17.80
E. W. Smith	2.00
Wilbur Gray	15.00
W. H. Blanchard	7.35
F. E. Adams and team	27.25
David Bruce	51.00
J. J. Cameron	24.50
F. E. Miles and team	13.00
A. B. Newcomb	74.00
J. A. Sedgewick	10.00
Daniel Davis	2.00

Clifford Weymouth, team	3.00
Frank Hatch	6.00
Wm. McGown	2.00
B. S. Philbrick	4.00
John Moriarty	12 00
Vern Ellis	6.00
M. C. R. R. Freight	2.77
Hanson & Pingree, supplies	28.72
Berger Mfg. Co., culverts	90.93
M. C. R. R. Co., Gravel	30.20
Judkins & Gilman	34.74
G. W. Bennett, gravel	18.30
C. E. Bur ock, gravel	3.60
United Construction Co., culverts	26.50
H. J. Carson, blacksmith work	1.85
J. M. White, 1914	2.50

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\$2,993.72

#### SIDEWALK ACCOUNT

Amount appropriated		\$500.00
Geo. L. Shaw and team	\$103.37	
F. B. Williams and team	45.00	
Joseph Williams and team	16.87	
Fred DeBeck and team	74.75	
John R. Watson and team	21.12	
G. A. Sanborn, labor	9.50	
C. R. Young, labor	57.50	
Frank Hatch, labor	13.00	
Wm. McGarry, labor	15.00	
Zach Newcomb, labor	50.50	
Thos. Healey, labor	8.50	
Earl Lewis, labor	40.00	
B. H. Peabody, labor	12.50	
John Moriarty, labor	9.50	
Dick Ramsey	21.00	
H. V. Brawn, gravel	17.50	
F. E. Miller Jr.	3.50	

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\$519.11

### CUTTING BUSHES

J. L. Lewis, Dexter road	\$3.50
Zack Newcombe, No. County	1.50
C. R. Young, No. County	1.50
Ernest Gray, Pratt road	10.00
Bert Philbrick	2.00
E. W. Pratt, No. County	14.55
H. Brooks, Stetson road	10.00
A. R. Blaisdell, No. County	5.00
W. D. Crowell, Crowell hill	4.00
Addison White	8.00
Scollay Soper	9.50
H. B. Peabody, No. County	2.00
G. A. Sanborn, No. County	2.00
F. E. Miller Jr., No. County	2.00
C. L. Holbrook, Holbrook road	5.00
L. A. Luce, Grumble St. hill	7.70

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\$88.25

### PLANKING BRIDGES

\$800.00

Paid John Parker	\$ 11.00
Philip Carpenter	7.00
A. B. Newcomb	17.00
David Bruce	13.00
Vern Ellis	11.00
W. M. McIntire	11.00
C. E. Smith	15.00
C. F. McCully, plank	366.00
F. E. Miller, Jr.	4.00
J. A. Labree	2.00
Zach Newcomb	2.66
Jim Chase	4.00
Chas. VanDekar	2.00
Haines & Newhall, plank	173.93
M. C. R. R. Co., freight on plank	18.00
H. J. Carson, blacksmith work	11.00
Judkins & Gilman, spikes and bolts	11.34

Unexpended	120.07
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\$800.00

# LEDGE AT E. NEWPORT

Appropriated	\$200.00
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Paid Zach Newcomb, 8 days	\$16.00
Earl Lewis, 8 days	16.00
Chas. Hubbard, drilling ledge	40.00
P. M. Richardson, fuel	6.95
Bert Philbrick, 2 days	4.00
Leslie Buzzell, 2 days	4.00
J. H. Budge, 2½ days	10.00
G. L. Shaw, team	18.75
G. L. Shaw, self	10.00
C. R. Young, 4 days	8.00
G. L. Murray, dynamite, fuse and caps	38.06
A. W. Littlefield Co.,	1.57
Unexpended	26.67

\$ 200.00

# CATCH BASIN ON HIGH STREET

Paid Daniel Davis, 5 days	\$10.00
C. R. Young, 2 days	4.00
L. D. Babb and tender	22.79
Judkins & Gilman Co,	18.44
Unexpended	9.77

\$65.00

Expended on roads	\$2,993.72
Sidewalk	519.11
Cutting bushes	88.25
Planking bridges	679.93
Ledge at Ea Newport	173.33
Catch basin in High St	55.23
Overdrawn	209.57

\$4,300.00

# SIDEWALK, BURNS TO W. S. TOWNSEND

Appropriated 1914	\$	100.00
“ “ 1915		300.00
Overdrawn		47.52
Paid C. R. Young	\$	15.38
Zack Newcomb		20.00
G. L. Shaw		40.00
Earl Lewis		18.00
Fred Bubier		15.62
Jos. Williams and team		27.50
Fred Debeck		13.50
G. A. Sanborn		2.00
J. R. Watson		9.00
H. B. Peabody		3.00
Frank Hatch		2.00
John Moriarty		4.00
Geo. P. Gray		2.00
David Bruce		1.50
Dick Ramsey		2.00
J. B. Marsh		7.00
Henry Cookson		2.63
J. L. Lewis & Son, man and team		33.63
W. S. Townsend, man and team		43.75
Stephen Woodard, 2		3.50
Percy York, 3,		5.25
Bedford Briggs, 4		7.00
Thos. Shandy, 3		5.25
Alvah Woodard, 2		3.50
John Grady, 2		3.50
Harold Carson, 4½		7.00
Wm. M. Furbush		28.62
Percy Jones,		4.37
Chas. Wiley		14.00
W. W. Brown, man and team		12.40
E. W. Smith		2.00
Benj. Landry, 4		7.00
Chas. Merrill, 4		7.00
Philip Carpenter		19.50

Frank Hatch	1.75
C. B. Emery, 3	5.25
L. A. Pennell, man and team	28.00
Chas. Fulton, man and team	19.25
Jim McAllister	.87

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\$ 447.52

#### PERMANENT ROAD NO. NEWPORT

Appropriation \$400.00

Paid G. L. Shaw, self and team	\$50.00
Jos. Williams, self and team	40.50
Fred DeBeck, self and team	40.50
Melvin Jones, self and team	27.00
W. H. Blanchard, self and team	18.00
G. H. Prilay, self and team	9.00
F. R. Coburn, self and team	2.25
Jas. Sedgwick,	7.00
Perley Nason	10.00
Zack Newcombe	20.00
Oral Cookson	18.00
Earl Ellis	20.00
Vernon Ellis	17.00
Frank Lasseurex	12.00
Wm. McGarry	20.00
H. B. Peabody	15.50
Wilbur Gray	9.00
A. L. Gray	9.00
H. L. Miles	4.00
W. W. Smith	5.00
Berger Mfg. Co., culvert	20.73
Unexpended	25.52

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\$400.00

#### Common School Fund

Appropriation	\$2,500.00
Interest on school fund	144.00
Equalization	100.00
State common school fund	1,512.32



State school and mill tax	1,609.85	
R. R. and Tel. tax	49.89	
Tuition	55.35	
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		\$5,971.41
Overdrawn, 1914	\$222.38	
Amount paid teachers	3,365.00	
conveyance	952.25	
janitor services	483.25	
fuel	697.60	
Unexpended	250.93	
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		\$5,971.41

#### COMMON SCHOOL TEACHERS SALARIES

Jessie Gray	\$408.00	
Mabel Dresser	408.00	
Marion Arey	117.00	
Mary Weymouth	249.00	
Florence Blaisdell	99.00	
Mrs. C. R. Purinton	10.00	
Edith Olmstead	192.00	
Emma Bodge	90.00	
Vera Gray	192.00	
Helen Wheeler	366.00	
Carrie Robertson	274.00	
Velma Thomas	112.00	
Inez M. Fletcher	184.00	
Ivy Edwards	140.00	
Mary Kenniston	216.00	
Mary Ladd	168.00	
Glen Edgerly	60.00	
Edna Tibbetts	36.00	
Guy H. Day	44.00	
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		\$3,365.00

### SCHOOL CONVEYANCE ACCOUNT

Paid John Mullen	\$ 154.50
L. A. Scott	87.50
F. B. Williams	122.50
Flora E. Prescott,	272.00
A. M. Morrill	275.25
Catherin Landry	5.00
Mrs Edward Burgess	18.00
Mrs Helen Gordon	17.50

\$952.25

### SCHOOL JANITOR ACCOUNT

Paid Marion Arey	\$ 6.50
T. D. Harris	298.00
Willie Wyman	11.00
Carrie Robertson	5.00
Harold Luce	5.00
Alice Nickerson	3.00
J. E. Morrill	10.50
Grace Ward	10.00
Gladys Langley	9.50
Geo. H. Prilay	12.00
Velma Thomas	7.00
C. H. Burton	14.25
Guy H. Day	5.00
Donald Gray	2.50

\$483.25

### SCHOOL FUEL ACCOUNT

A. L. Gray	4.25
A. M. Morrill	80.00
H. L. Brown, sawing wood	5.50
Ernest Gray	19.25
Ivan D. Gray	19.25
Judkins & Gilman Co.	532.33
C. C. Stuart	16.00
L. A. Luce	20.00

\$ 697.60

# SCHOOL HOUSE REPAIR

Appropriation	\$500.00	
Equalization fund	125.00	
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		\$ 625.00
	CR	
Overdrawn 1914	\$ 60.15	
Paid T. D. Harris	7.00	
A. M. Morrill	24.35	
W. E. Whitney	2.90	
H. L. Brown	2.50	
Hanson & Pingree	18.43	
J. C. Smith, painting Hubbard		
school-house	16.30	
H. Winchester, paint and oil	20.63	
U.S. Littlefield, repair on High school	260.00	
F. I. Pushor, cartage and freight	6.79	
Kenney Bro. & Walkins, seats	66.60	
Sears, Roebuck & Co.	13.71	
L. E. Bemis, labor	5.38	
S. P. Ireland	7.05	
G. H. Prilay, labor	2.00	
Judkins & Gilman, supplies	10.60	
Mark Wentworth, labor	.53	
Unexpended	160.23	
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		\$625.00

# SCHOOL SUPPLIES & APPARATUS ACCOUNT

	DR	
Appropriation		\$350.00
	CR	
Overdrawn 1914.....	\$ 28.56	
Paid L. C. Smith, typewriter.....	55.00	
Remington Typewriter Co. type-		
writer and supplies.....	52.00	
Educational Supply Co., supplies...	1.58	
C. E. Garland, picture frames.....	5.00	

Hanson & Pingree.....	8.86	
Rand, McNalley Co., maps.....	17.75	
J. L. Hammett & Co.....	16.72	
Newell White.....	1.00	
H. Merrill.....	.20	
Shaw Business College, diploma.....	1.60	
Lockhaustedd & Belding .....	2.82	
P. L. Wardwell & Co.....	2.40	
A. C. Bradbury.....	11.70	
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., W. C. McCue.....	17.92	
H. H. Rich.....	5.60	
B. G. Croxford.....	2.80	
R. H. Dyer.....	2.14	
Newport Job Print.....	14.30	
A. M. Morrill.....	.75	
A. L. Gray.....	.50	
Newport Dry Goods Co.....	1.48	
C. E. Smith, electrical supplies.....	20.50	
Boston Music Co. music.....	2.50	
W. C. McCue, postage and express	1.36	
Unexpended.....	74.96	
		<hr/> \$350.00

#### SCHOOL TEXT BOOK ACCOUNT

Appropriation	\$300.00	
Books sold	.50	
Unexpended, 1914	3.98	
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		\$304.48
Overdrawn		17.19
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		\$321.67
Paid Ellis Pub. Co.	\$8.09	
Isaac Pitman Co.	6.62	
A. N. Palmer Co.	3.93	
McMillian Co.	16.46	
D. Appleton Co.	26.67	
Wooster & Co.	27.56	

Silver, Burdette & Co.	22.35
Benj. H. Sanborn & Co.	68.88
Am. Book Co.	30.54
D. C. Heath & Co.	29.39
Edw. E. Babb & Co.	9.91
Ginn & Co.	51.51
Doubleday Page Co.	1.35
Houghton Mifflin Co.	3.12
Milton Bradley Co	5.29

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\$321.67

### FREE HIGH SCHOOL ACCOUNT

#### DR

Appropriation by town	\$1,500.00
Received from state	500.00
tuition	97.00
Unexpended, 1914	150.56

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\$2,247.56

#### CR

Paid C. R. Purinton	\$1,129.96
Julia Campbell	490.00
Delia Blanchard	372.00
Madeline Walker	70.00
T. D. Harris, janitor	50.00
Judkins & Gilman Co., coal	50.00
Unexpended	85.60

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\$2,247.56

### MUSIC IN SCHOOLS

#### DR

Appropriation	\$200.00
Unexpended, 1914	62.88

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\$262.88

#### CR

Paid Gertrude Thorn	\$200.00
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Unexpended

62.88

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\$262.88

## Summary of Orders Drawn Including Department of Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor

Town charge account	\$5,796.38
Support of poor	257.67
Supt. of schools	300.00
Night watchman	600.00
Free public library	150.00
G. A. R. Memorial Day	75.00
Fire department	777.34
Town debt and interest	4,717.00
Maintenance state highway	258.00
State Aid road	95.70
Roads, bridges and sidewalks	4,509.57
Centennial account	62.39
Townsend sidewalk	447.52
Toilet Town Hall	39.01
Permanent road	374.48
Street sprinkling	35.00
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	\$18,494.06

## SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Common schools	\$ 5,498.10
Free High School	2,161.16
Text Books	321.67
Supplies and apparatus	246.48
Repairs on school-houses	464.77
Music in schools	200.00
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	\$ 8,892.98
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Total orders drawn	27,387.04
Order No. 575, H. L. Miles town debt	1,200.00

Old orders paid	48.72	
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		\$28,635.76
Orders paid and returned by J. O. Gilman, treas.	\$28,593.09	
Outstanding order	42.67	
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		\$28,635.76

## STANDING OF THE TOWN

### Liabilities

Due Trustees Common School fund	\$2,400.00	
Outstanding Bonds Dec. 1, 1897	20,000.00	
Interest due on same	233.34	
Outstanding Bond Oct. 1, 1910	15,000.00	
Interest on same	200.00	
Due on Street Lights	87.70	
Due for Water Feb. 1, 1916 when the improvements and additions contemplated are completed sat- isfactory to the Committee elect- ed at the Mar. meeting 1915	445.00	
	<hr/>	\$38,366.40

### Assets

Due from State, acct. Lorings	6.00	
St. Albans acct. Pratt family	5.00	
Plymouth acct. A. E. Tozier	5.97	
on Tax Deeds	277.75	
Cash Waterville Trust Co.	168.19	
Due for milk, Town Farm	59.88	
from State acct. State Aid	198.00	
Dow & Paine, tax 1915	29.00	
Sebasticoock Grange tax, 1915	29.00	
Dog liscences, estimated	70.00	
Cash in hands of Treasurer	3,867.21	
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		\$4,716.00

Liabilities over assets

\$33,650.04

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C. E. SMITH,

J. H. BUDGE,

A. L. GRAY,

*Selectmen of Newport.*

Examined and found correct.

W. E. RACKLIFFE,

*Town Auditor.*



# Treasurer's Report

of the Town of Newport for the year  
ending Feb. 17, 1916.

## RECEIPTS

Cash on hand as per last report	\$3,017.00
in Waterville Trust Co.	168.18
H. D. Littlefield, tuition	15.40
I. W. Jones                   “	12.60
Don Sargent,               “	15.00
Town of Plymouth “	40.00
James Weymouth, tuition	5.00
Annie Thomas,           “	7 35
Olive Jones,             “	10.00
Town of Palmyra,       “	37.00
S. E. Dyer,               “	10.00
Claude C. Richardson tax, 1914	2.10
Worster Bros. tax, 1915	53.12
George Prilay, tax, 1915	20.00
Fred Creighton, tax, 1915	8.52
Estate W. A. Allen, expense tax deed	1.43
J. E. Hefferen, hall rent	20.00
Town of Etna	6.00
Town of Eustis	5.00
Town of Plymouth	2.25
Walter Elkins, support of children	42.00
Frank Howard, pool room license	10.00
Kenduskeag Trust Co.	2,000.00
F. N. Merrill, acct. dog licenses, 1915	111.00
Will of Emma Rackliff, care of lot in cemetery	100.00

Text books sold	.50	
from School House repairs	1.10	
Old junk sold from town farm	1.00	
Pork sold from town farm	14.67	
Milk	145.01	
For trimming town farm trees	25.00	
Sand and tar sold Weymouth		
Wool Co.	11.00	
From sale of Bridge Plank	2.25	
H. W. Brackett, lots at Riverside		
cemetery	30.00	
W. H. Mitchell, town histories sold	6.75	
Interest on school fund, 1914	144.00	
"                    "            1915	144.00	
State Treas. support of paupers	50.50	
State Treas. Free Public Library	25.00	
Highway department	95.70	
Free High Schools	500.00	
Burial of Soldiers	70.00	
Equalization fund	225.00	
Dog licenses refunded	73.26	
Improvement of		
State Roads	685.97	
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Amount of receipts brought up	7,969.66	
Cash from state treas., R. R. and		
tel. tax 1915	49.89	
Cash from state treas., common		
school fund	1,512.32	
Cash from state treas., school and		
mill fund	1,609.85	
Cash from state treas., state aid	192.00	
Cash from A.W.Lander, collector 1915	27,501.69	
	<hr/>	\$28,835.41

#### EXPENDITURES

Paid state treas., dog licenses for 1915	\$111.00
county tax, 1915	1,184.57

state taxes, 1915	4,560.96
state aid,	390.00
town orders, 1915	28,593.09
Cash in Waterville Trust Co.	168.18
Cash in my hands	3,827.61
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	\$38,835.41

J. O. Gilman, Treasurer of Newport

Town order with interest paid to April 5, 1916      \$2,400.00

J. O. Gilman, Treasurer of Newport

Examined and found correct.

W. E. RACKLIFFE

*Auditor*

## REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE NEWPORT FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

For the year ending Feb. 10th, 1916

### Receipts

Feb. 10th 1915	Cash on hand	\$308.18
Feb. 10th 1915	Cash in Waterville Trust Co.	17.18
	Received from librarian (fines)	10.25
	Received from town	150.00
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		\$485.61

### Disbursements

Paid for books and magazines	\$121.86
supplies and running expenses	95.50
Feb. 10th 1916 cash on hand	251.07
Feb. 10th 1916 Cash in Waterville Trust Co.	17.18
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	\$485.61

### Bills outstanding

For books      \$125.00

Respectfully submitted,

W. R. MORRILL, Treasurer

# REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN OF THE NEWPORT PUBLIC LIBRARY

Year ending Feb. 9, 1916.

Whole number of books in library 2982.

Classification :

Agriculture	14
Biography	24
Fiction	2180
History	155
Literature	78
Science	24
Maine Registers	31
Maine Reports	141
Miscellaneous	334
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	2982

236 volumes have been added since Feb. 9, 1915.

Whole number of volumes loaned 9601.

The library has been opened 104 afternoons and evenings.

# Report of Superintendent of Schools

*To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of  
Newport:*

I have the honor to submit for your consideration this my first annual report of the work in your schools.

The purpose of this report is to present to the people in this town facts relative to their schools which I trust will prove of interest. No report can contain all that could be said on any subject, and just what such a report should contain and how extended it should be, is a problem. I hope only to call to your mind the pressing needs as I see them of your schools.

Men are privileged to hold different views of politics, religion, etc., in fact, everything in which the public is interested, and why not have different views on the methods of conducting schools. Criticism will come to everyone who works for the public and it is good for people, if given in the kindly spirit. Schools cannot be conducted successfully on unkind, malicious, fault finding criticism.

Nothing is gained by antagonism, either on the part of Teachers, Parents or School Officials, but much is gained by coöperation.

It has been a source of satisfaction to work in the schools of Newport because of this feeling of coöperation for the most part, of the citizens. I am sure that you demand only the best for your children.

I found the schools, as it seemed to me, in excellent condition. Your teachers doing very efficient work.

Nothing great has been achieved in the short time which I have been here. Only trying to keep before the children the value of an education and assisting the teachers as best I might with friendly advice.

## HIGH SCHOOL.

Perhaps no school in your system has made such rapid progress during the past few years as has this one.

In charge of competent and skilful teachers, with up to date methods, it is no wonder that pupils are attracted to this High School. Situated as it is in one of the most modern, well equipped and pleasant school rooms, it is a source of pride to the town. That you are interested in this school is manifest by your cordial support, both financially and socially.

It was your pleasure to retain the same teaching force as last year, and in this thing alone is the source of success. Principal Purinton and his assistants, Miss Campbell and Miss Blanchard, are held in high esteem by the pupils. They are bringing to their class rooms those things which will fit boys and girls for life.

A course of study has been placed before the pupils with the approval of the State Department only as a guide. No course of study can be made, however flexible, which will meet the special needs of all students. The characteristics of the student should indicate the course of study so far as possible. Because of your pride in the record of Newport High School is all the more reason why you should encourage every advancement. No better, well meaning class of young people can be found, and you should give them the advantages which are theirs by right.

I would respectfully call your attention to the enclosed report of Principal Purinton.

## COMMON SCHOOLS.

It is in these schools that the foundation of a child's education is laid. It is here that he should be given the most careful thought. It is fortunate that all children are not alike—it gives teachers and parents something to consider. The question which confronts every parent and teacher, "What shall I do with this child," is deserving of more thought than is placed upon it. Many parents send their child into the public school and expect (if they give it any

thought, very often they do not even do that) the teacher to make an excellent scholar out of him. If he turns out otherwise, the teacher is to blame and the child is better off at home or on the street.

It has not been my fortune to see as many teachers who are incapable of instructing the children as the parents would have us believe. With the present school laws for State Certification of Teachers, there is no great possibility of incompetency in teachers. We acknowledge that not all teachers are what we wish them, but words of encouragement are better than idle gossip. The village teachers are graduates of State normal schools and are doing most excellent work. The work of Mrs. Wheeler, Miss Dresser and Miss Gray has been most satisfactory to you and I am glad they were retained this past year. Their judgment and experience has been of help to me in getting acquainted with conditions. Miss Kenniston in the first grades has done exceptionally good work. I am pleased to say that only the kindest things have been said of her work.

Miss Ladd in the Grammar school was a most excellent instructor; her methods the best. She resigned at the end of Fall term to accept a position in her home town at an increase of salary.

Mr. Edgerly was placed in charge of this school for the remainder of the year. There is no question as to the advisability of placing a man in this school. I am of the opinion that when forty pupils of Grammar grades are placed in one room, it is an exceptional woman who is able to control them. Not only this, but for the influence it has upon the life of these boys and girls. Especially the boys, since they have had women teachers so far in their school life, need the association of a man teacher. Boys have problems in their life at this age which a man can understand and be of help to them. I urge that while this school is as large as it is now, that a man be kept in charge of it.

The schools at East Newport have been doing splendid work. Miss Fletcher in the Primary school is a very fine

teacher and this school is fortunate to be able to retain her during the year. Miss Edwards taught in the Fall and Mr. Day has been the teacher this winter. What has been said of the Grammar school in the village is true of this school also. A man is needed to have oversight of this building.

Miss Robertson at North Newport has been doing exceptional work with this school. She has a school of 26 pupils and six grades. Her experience enables her to be of great help to these children and there should not be anything but words of praise for her.

At the Hubbard school, Miss Thomas taught in the Fall and while she came to us with no experience, she did as well as she could. She did not receive the support that was due her. If people in general would give as much time in helping to maintain a good school as they do in finding fault how much better our schools would be. The best teachers fail because they have the unwilling parents to teach as well as the pupils.

Mrs. Tibbets, at the request of many in this district, was placed in charge of this school this winter and is doing excellent work. The children in this school are among the best in town and should be given every consideration.

The best possible solution of the school problem in these two schools is to consolidate them. Many people think of consolidation from an economic standpoint. Money matters are the last thing to be considered in the education of a child. To consolidate these schools means greater efficiency, better teachers, better equipment. Children like to be in crowds and for petty differences on the part of parents they have no right to be deprived of these advantages.

At the Gilman school, Mrs. Weymouth, who has taught so successfully in the past few years, has been in this school this year. She is an enthusiastic worker for the children and holds the respect of the parents and children. What has been said of the North Newport and Hubbard schools might be said of this one. During the past two terms every child with one exception is conveyed. Why not convey



them to the village schools at the same cost. In the spring, three will have completed their common school work and this school will be very small. The children will receive greater attention in the village schools.

#### MUSIC.

Newport is fortunate indeed to have in charge of this Department so capable a woman as Miss Thorne. She is doing work for your children that would cost you many dollars were you to hire private teachers. The results of her work are remarkable in the short time in which she has taught for you. She is deserving of a much larger salary and I urge you to increase it this year for it is not possible to hire a teacher of her ability for the salary she is paid. I call your attention to her most excellent report.

#### TEXT BOOKS.

Owing to the large number of students in the High School many new books were needed in all subjects, and this is true of the grades as well. Many of those on hand were so badly worn as to be of no use whatever. In the upper grades we have made some changes in the work, which necessitated new books.

Books on Physiology, Commercial Geography and Civics have been placed in these grades.

We have been as economical as possible with the money, but students must have books and they cost money.

#### REPAIRS.

The money for repairs has been most judiciously expended.

The Hubbard school house has been painted. Minor repairs have been made on practically all the buildings. The larger amount of money was expended at the High School building. Your committee have used their best judgment in regard to this matter, and as has been said, your High School building is a very attractive home for children.

I am glad to report that we have been able to secure, through the kindness of Hon. Payson Smith, State Superintendent, the sum of \$125.00 to be expended in permanent repairs to rural schools. The committee will use their good judgment in expending this money where it is most needed, subject to the approval of the State Department.

#### CONVEYANCE.

The matter of conveyance is a very great one in this town. It is for you to say what shall be done. Statistics show that Newport is conveying more children and paying more money than any town or city in Penobscot County, with one exception. In the report of the State Superintendent, last year Newport was conveying 76 pupils at an expense of \$949. It is a most unreasonable burden upon the town. We have children in our schools from other towns who are walking three or four times the distance than many of those conveyed in town, simply because the law says children in common schools *may* be conveyed. The law relative to conveying pupils was printed in your Report of last year and need not be inserted here. In cases of criticism which have come to us, we are satisfied that the drivers of the different teams are doing all and more than is required of them to provide proper conveniences for the children.

I realize how much money you are raising each year for the care of your town, and it may seem that it is impossible to do more for your schools, but I want you to consider the advisability of adding to your course some work in Manual Training and Domestic Science.

The great needs of children demand something of this sort. In schools of this kind the boy is taught the use of tools and is able to learn those things which he is not able to get from facts as presented in books. The expense is slight since the State is willing to pay two-thirds of total salary paid for teaching these subjects.

### TRUANCY.

We are glad to report that there have been but few cases of truancy in town and these have been promptly attended to by Officer Heffron.

The rigid Labor Laws combined with the Truancy Laws are doing very much to care for these cases. It seems a shame that since the town is doing so much for its children that it requires the services of an officer to keep children in school in the face of opposition from the parent. I wish to call your attention to the Law of 1915, Section 69. "If a child without sufficient excuse shall be habitually and wilfully absent from school or shall fail without such excuse to attend school for five days' sessions or for ten half day sessions within any period of six months, he shall be deemed an habitual truant; and the superintending school committee shall notify him and any person under whose control he may be that unless he conforms to section sixty-six, the provisions of the ten following sections shall be enforced against them." Section sixty-six defines age of children as between the seventh and fifteenth anniversaries of his birth. All persons having children under their care and neglecting to fulfill this requirement shall be punished by a fine not exceeding \$25, or shall be imprisoned not exceeding thirty days. You will notice that ten of the twenty-one teachers employed in your schools will have remained for the entire year. This alone accounts in a large measure for the success of these schools. The constant changing of teachers is an injury to any well regulated system.

I would advise the adopting of a salary schedule for the teachers. Paying to these teachers who are re-elected a small increase in salary. Teachers are worth more to a school the second year if they are worthy their re-election, and this should be recognized.

The School Board is a body of men who have carefully done their work and deserve your commendation. I ask you to consider the matter of compensation for these men. No man has much ambition to work for "honor." If they are of service to you pay them for this service. Since Au-

gust, they have held a meeting the second Wednesday of each month, and together with the special meetings, have made ten meetings. All bills against the School Department have been approved and passed to the Selectmen for payment at this time. There has been some criticism as to the payment of school bills and in order that you may understand the position of the Board, I wish to quote the State Law regulating this matter. "Chapter 15, Section 18. No money appropriated by law for public schools shall be paid from the treasury of any town, except upon written order of its municipal officers, and no such order shall be drawn by said officers except upon presentation of a properly vouched bill of items, said bill of items having first been approved by a majority of the members of the superintending school committee and certified by the superintendent of schools."

In conclusion, I want to express to you, Gentlemen, Citizens, Teachers and Pupils, my great appreciation, which is due you for your kindness and encouragement which has been mine since coming to your town. It is my purpose to do the best in my power for you in return for your favors. Let me urge upon you the importance of coöperation and friendly visits to your schools. The work of the year has been pleasant. For whatever success may have attended my efforts in behalf of the schools of this town, I am indebted to faithful teachers, School Committee and to all others who have coöperated with me.

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFTON E. WASS.

In conjunction with the School Board, I ask you to consider the following appropriations for your schools the ensuing year:

Common Schools,	\$2,500.00
High School,	1,500.00
School Books,	400.00
School Supplies,	400.00
Repairs,	350.00

Superintendent of Schools,	300.00
Music Teacher,	225.00

A. M. MORRILL,  
S. P. IRELAND,  
H. H. RICH,  
*School Committee.*

## REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL.

*To the Superintendent of Schools:*

I herewith submit my third annual report as Principal of the Newport High School.

The past year has seen a marked growth in the enrollment and general interest in the work at the high school. This was naturally to be expected as a result of broadening the sphere of work and play. Yet I wish to emphasize the fact that we must not mark time, especially at the present. Last year I urged the necessity of manual training and domestic science. These courses need not be elaborate and in many schools are self-supporting. The world needs boys and girls trained to use their hands to perform the work of the world, as much as it needs to have minds trained to think. The increasing number of pupils coming from the country demands that we give them special attention in the form of a simple agricultural course or if that is impossible now, we must see that they have instruction how to farm scientifically. If we wish our high school to grow we must provide for the practical education of that great majority whose education ends with the high school and not put in so much time trying to fit a very small number for college. Latin, French and Algebra and other studies have their value but too much stress has been laid upon them. It is of vaster importance that a girl should know how to cook a good meal or make a dress, or a boy to make a book-case or grow corn scientifically. I sincerely hope that in the near future, the citizens will understand this fact clearly enough to make the necessary appropriation.

The school year opened with an attendance of 63. There are now 60. We shall lose four by graduation and there

ought to be 30 enter next year. Very soon the entire building must be given over to the use of the high school.

During the summer the entire high school building was renovated. Now, we have a building second to none in its interior beauty.

Now, this building ought to be used more in the evening than it is at present. None of us knows too much. There is a tendency to spend our time evenings in an unprofitable way. Why not make the high school more of an educational center. Not only by using the magazines which are at your disposal but by gatherings for the purpose of discussing the great political, economic and moral questions of the day. Then too, we have a stereopticon lantern and views on sanitation, home life, progress of the world, dairying, agriculture in every phase may be procured easily. Let us as citizens of Newport ask ourselves whether we are getting all of our money's worth out of what we spend for the schools. As a result of a number of years' experience in dealing with the young, I have come to the conclusion that the trouble with so many of them is, that the education of their parents has been neglected.

I do hope that an organization may be formed to take an active interest and do active work for the schools. In many places men's clubs and women's clubs are actively at work assisting the teachers to make the school life more what it should be. The teachers and pupils have worked hard to put the schools where they are today. The work is now getting too big for us alone and we need the *active* work of the interested citizens. Remember that taxes and the giving of money and the patronizing of entertainments are vitally necessary, but they represent the merely passive interest. We need your time and thought as well as your money.

An Agricultural Club has been organized at the high school and this summer a number of the boys will raise corn, competing for a scholarship at the University.

I wish to express my appreciation of the work in the high school of your music teacher, Miss Thorne. She has created intense interest in music among the high school scholars,

which was the more difficult because of no previous training in the grades. The chorus work is especially gratifying and the enthusiastic approval with which the chorus is greeted at a public appearance and the continued demand for their work is proof that excellent work is being done. A number of girls were chosen to represent Newport High School at the School Music Festival at Bangor last October.

Miss Thorne is also unselfishly giving her time to the boys alone, to the end that a large orchestra may soon be formed.

The town should see that the services of Miss Thorne are retained at any price.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the superintendent and school board for their coöperation in the many departments of the school work.

I desire especially to express my appreciation to my assistants who have worked hard for the upbuilding of the school and to whose unselfish and loyal devotion to every department of school work is due in large part the present status of the school and the excellent spirit which exists there.

Respectfully submitted,

C. R. PURINTON,  
*Principal.*

*To the School Committee, Superintendent of Schools and  
Citizens of Newport:*

I present my third annual report.

My work in your schools this year, for the greater part, has been such a pleasure that I have not considered it work, but an enjoyable event in each week. As I listen to the slow but steady improvement in the young voices, and note the steadily increasing sense of appreciation and mental grasp of the technical and art side of music, I can only set aside the word—work—and substitute in its place the word—pleasure. I do not mean to say that there have been no hills to climb, for we must encounter them in all things; but the hard climb upward is necessary for our full appreciation of what we may find on the other side.

The work being done in the first and second grades is good. In the third and fourth grades there has been a draw-back due to the unprepared third grade entering this room in September. However, there is a more even balancing at present, which means that the music will progress smoothly for the remainder of the year.

The fifth and sixth grades are doing splendid work together, due to a well prepared fifth entering with the sixth and also to the enthusiasm of both teacher and pupils.

The seventh grade work does not equal the work in the two preceding grades. The work in some directions is going forward rapidly, but we have a few obstacles here which seem difficult to overcome. This was a new subject to the teacher last year, but she is now capable of accomplishing good results when we reach the other side of our mountain.

In the eighth and ninth grades was another case of holding one grade back until a lower one was able to do the work. However, under these conditions, satisfactory work was done in this room through the fall. At present there is no music instruction in this room except that given by the supervisor. Arrangements have been made, whereby regular work will be carried on before March first.

We cannot expect the greatest results in our music where we leave two grades in one room, unless two lessons are given in place of one. Because of the amount of work which each teacher has to do, this seems almost impossible at the present time. Each grade entering is, of course, below the work done by the grade already in the room. Thus at the beginning of the year the upper grade must of necessity be held back until the lower grade is able to work with it. It takes a little longer for the accomplishing of our work desired, yet it is the best that can be done in our country towns.

I find a decided improvement in the voice work this year, which is a very good indication that the teachers are beginning to teach understandingly.

The interest shown by teacher and pupils in the Gillman



school is very promising and the work which is being accomplished, although a new subject to the teacher, is worthy of much praise.

The Hubbard school at present is doing the best work that it has ever done since music was introduced into the schools.

In the Coburn school we have found a greater per cent. of monotonies among the small children than in any other school, and it is taking longer for them to work out. There are also, some other obstacles, which seem hard to overcome. Yet I feel sure that we shall see good results here ere the close of the school year.

For a country school the East Newport primary is a credit to the town. I would urge that the parents visit this school and see what the teacher is accomplishing.

The enthusiasm in the grammar school and the desire on the part of the teacher to do the work, although a new subject to him, can but have good results.

For a subject which was new to the teachers as well as pupils, I feel that we need not be discouraged when we stop to consider that music has been taught in the schools but little more than two years. If your teachers knew nothing of arithmetic or knew not how to read, and were given these subjects to teach, would they accomplish any more in the branches just named than they have in music?

We are a little slow in realizing the necessity of this one branch of study, thinking of it merely as a pastime or a side accomplishment instead of a necessity. What is a country without its music? What is a state without its music? What is a community without its music? Who is to furnish the music for country, state and community tomorrow but our boys and girls of today, and where are they to learn this music which is for the upbuilding of all mankind, if not in our Nation's Public Schools, where it is free for one and all, and where those who are especially endowed by nature may be early discovered and their wonderful gift trained for the benefit of thousands.

In our High School we have a few things with which to

contend. A little extra time is being given to the boys, the greater part of whom have just found their new voices and are a little afraid to use them in the chorus. We are, however, gaining confidence and hope to strengthen the chorus work by a full fourth part ere long.

A high school orchestra is beginning to assert itself. The present outlook seems to promise us an orchestra of fourteen or fifteen pieces by fall. Your coöperation and interest in this high school work is most earnestly desired. We need a little more material with which to work. The music which will be used is inexpensive, costing but a few cents per copy. But the music for chorus and orchestra is necessary if we accomplish what we should. It is not an easy thing to try to do chorus work, where five and six students, in some cases, have to use one small sheet of music. I would suggest that a few dollars of the appropriation be set aside for the High School, to be drawn upon when it is necessary to buy new music and replace the old.

In the grades I have found many of the music books in a deplorable condition, and I would beg that the parents unite with the teachers in influencing the children to care for that which we do have, and not make it necessary for the town to be obliged to purchase new books every two years when they should last for four years.

Before closing my report, I wish to thank the citizens of Newport for their interest, and their kind and helpful words of encouragement in my work.

Respectfully submitted,

GERTRUDE THORNE,

*Supervisor of Music.*

SCHOOL	TEACHER	Salary	Term	Registered	Average	No. Conveyed	Cost	Janitor	Fuel	Cost per pupil
High	Carl R. Puriton	\$11.00	Spring	41	35			\$12.00	\$153.82	\$33.79
	Julia M. Campbell	14.00	Fall and	64	58					For 36
	Della M. Blanchard	12.00	Winter							weeks
Grammar	Vera C. Gray	14.00	Winter	61						
Grades 8-9	Mary Ladd	12.00	Spring	37	32	1	\$150.20	\$12.00	Grades	
	Glenn E. Edgerly	12.00	Fall	40	37	1			\$345.57	
Grades 6-7	Jessie Gray	15.00	Winter	41						
Grade 7		12.00	Spring	43	37	5				13.06
Grade 7		12.00	Fall	31	25					23.86
Grades 4-5		12.00	Winter	30						
Grades 5-6	Mabel H. Dresser	12.00	Spring	35	31					
		12.00	Fall	39	36					
		12.00	Winter	38						
Grades 3-4	Helen Wheeler	10.00	Spring	51	48	2				
Grades 3-4		13.00	Fall	50	47	2				
Grades 1-2		12.00	Winter	50		2				20.13
	Edith Olmstead	12.00	Spring	31	30					
	Mary Kenniston	12.00	Fall	29	25					
		12.00	Winter	28						
East Newport Grammar	Florence Blaisdell	9.00	Spring	19	17	12		\$5.50	East	
	Ivy Edwards	10.00	Fall	26	25	17		15.00	Newport	
	Guy H. Day	11.00	Winter	22	18	12	\$402.25	9.00	Primary	
East Newport Primary	Mary L. Tardy	9.00	Spring	25	16	20			and	
	Inez Fletcher	10.00	Fall	22	17	14			Gram	
		11.00	Winter	17	13	11			\$85.00	
North Newport	Carrie Robertson	9.00	Spring	23	17	10	\$194.50	5.00	Coburn	
		10.00	Fall	26	22	8		8.00	23.50	
		11.00	Winter	22	22	8		4.00		
		9.00	Spring	12	11			5.00	19.25	26.56
Hubbard	Emma Bodge	8.00	all					7.00		
	Velma Thomas	9.00	Winter	13	11			4.50		
	Edna Tibbetts	9.00	Spring	13	12	13		5.00		
Gilman	Marion Arey	8.00	Fall	11	10	12	\$305.00	10.50	20.00	56.52
	Mary L. Weymouth	9.50	Winter			10		6.75		





